

BY EMAIL

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Regional Senior Justice James E. McNamara
Ontario Superior Court of Justice
161 Elgin Street
Ottawa ON K2P 2K1

Your Honour:

Re: *St. Lewis v. Rancourt*
Court File No. 11-51657
September 25, 2014, show cause hearing

On June 5, 2014, trial judge The Honourable Justice Michel Charbonneau set a date for a "show cause hearing", regarding contempt of court, as September 25, 2014. His Honour said in-court that there was a possibility that I would be sentenced to a jail term resulting from this hearing.

I respectfully ask that Your Honour not assign Justice Charbonneau for the hearing, and furthermore that the hearing be presided by a judge from outside East Region, who does not have any ties with the University of Ottawa.

This is a case where the events alleged to have given rise to contempt of court did not occur in the courtroom before the judge, and where the alleged disobedience of the order of the Court is moot.

As a self-represented litigant, I also respectfully request the following clarifications regarding the contempt of court proceedings.

1. Was I cited in contempt, or did the judge solely schedule a hearing for a plaintiff's motion for contempt?
2. In the event that I was cited, is the citing for criminal contempt of court or civil contempt of court?

3. Given the presumption of innocence, if I was cited in contempt, how is this possible in the absence of any supporting evidence directly observed in-court by the citing judge?
4. Who will be the prosecutor at the September 25, 2014, hearing: The presiding judge, the Crown, or the plaintiff?
5. What are all the specifics of the contempt allegation, and what evidence will be relied on to substantiate a citation in or finding of contempt?
6. How can I contest the facts relied on, and what is the procedure to call non-party witnesses in my defense?
7. What is the date at which I will be served with any material in support of a finding of contempt of court?

Yours truly,



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Cc: Ontario Civil Liberties Association (by email to its Executive Director)